

MAYOR AND COUNCIL STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA SUBCOMMITTEE
Environment, Planning & Resource Management
ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT AND SUMMARY
November 9, 2006

Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member Karin Uhlich, Ward 3 (Chair)
Vice Mayor Carol West, Ward 2
Council Member Nina Trasoff, Ward 6

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Masbruch, Assistant City Manager

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: David Modeer, Tucson Water
Albert Elias, Urban Planning
Nicole Ewing-Gavin, Urban Planning
Byron Howard- City Manager's Office
Michael McCrory, City Attorney
Ralph Marra- Tucson Water
Dennis Rule-Tucson Water
Irene Ogata- Urban Planning
Chris Kaselemis- Urban Planning
Marie Pearthree- Tucson Water
Karen LaMartina- Tucson Water

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<p>3. City of Tucson Drought Preparedness & Response Plan David Modeer explained that there has been a law passed for all providers to have a preparedness plan. Karen LaMartina gave an overview of the plan. Karen stated that the plan was on the website and also that public was consulted and there were 20 responses. Discussion followed.</p>	<p>Staff is informed.</p>
<p>4. Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District (CAGRDR) Overview and Current Issues Dennis Rule gave a power point presentation on this item and explained the structure and functions of the CAGRDR. The City of Tucson joined the CAGRDR in 1997, but restrictions were placed on the City, due to City's membership being viewed as risky by CAGRDR. The City is the only member with such restrictions, other water providers in the Tucson region are not subject to similar restrictions. David Modeer mentioned that the utility once thought of withdrawing membership, but stated that the long-range plan includes maintaining CAGRDR membership as part of the City's water resources. Dennis Rule explained that the City would have to re-negotiate our membership to change the requirements and restrictions we currently have,</p>	<p>Staff is informed</p>

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<p>and it us uncertain whether or not it would be possible to change these restrictions.</p>	
<p>5. State CAP Board Update David Modeer updated the Subcommittee on recent events that have transpired with the election results. 4 of the defeated officials were staunch supporters. David stated that there is no way to know where things are going from here, but committed to keep these items on the Agenda, and continue to inform M&C and the Subcommittee on any updates.</p>	<p>Staff is informed- Council members requested and agreed that this item would recur on every Agenda as an update.</p>
<p>6. Landscape Annual Report At the request of Vice Mayor West, a power point presentation was given to the Subcommittee members to update and inform them on the current work and accomplishments of the Landscape Advisory Committee. LAC Members Joan Lionetti and Jack Kelley gave the report. Council Member Uhlich asked that this item go before full Mayor and Council.</p>	<p>Staff is informed</p>
<p>7. Energy at the Crossroads: Update on Petrol Supply, Emerging Energy Transformation & Greater Tucson Strategic Plan Dennis Dickerson from PAG gave a power point presentation on this item. He informed the Subcommittee of concrete measurable steps that can be taken now by local government to conserve energy. Some of the suggestions were, Mass transit, main electrification, move away from oil, solar power, etc. He stated that he would be happy to meet with City staff at any time. Council Member Uhlich requested City staff to assist with this. Karen Masbruch stated that she would come up with personnel from appropriate departments.</p>	<p>Staff is informed –Council members requested and agreed that this item would appear on every agenda as an update item.</p>
<p>8. Impact Fee Update Nicole Ewing-Gavin gave a brief update on the Impact Fee item. She stated that they were working with draft lists. This item was slated for Full M&C in Feb, and Impact Fees could be spent soon afterwards. The stakeholder group requested another meeting by 11/30/06. The Draft Ordinance will be posted on the website for public comment. They will schedule a second meeting. 1/16 is the date that is being looked at for Ordinance Adoption. New fees are anticipated for Feb. It takes 5-6 months to implement once they are adopted. Vice Mayor West requested staff to continue working with stakeholders, and that additional discussion with them occur before the draft ordinance returns to the subcommittee.</p>	<p>Staff is informed- Council members requested and agreed that this item would be recurring on every agenda as an update item.</p>
<p><i>Next Meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2006 at 3:00PM in the Mayor and Council Chambers</i></p>	
<p>Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 p.m.</p>	